

Policy Title: Rotation Requirements for the M-4 year

Policy Number (relate to LCME Element as applicable): UCF COM Policy 6.5.1

Applies to: Fourth year medical students at the University of Central Florida College of Medicine (UCF COM).

Date: 3/17/2023

1.0 Purpose:

To list the requirements for rotations for fourth year medical students as of the 2017-18 academic year which relates to LCME element 6.5 which states: “the medical curriculum includes elective opportunities that supplement required learning experiences and that permit medical students to gain exposure to and deepen their understanding of medical specialties”.

2.0 Policy Statement:

Fourth year medical students must complete:

- One 4-week Acting Internship (AI) here or away.
 - An Acting Internship is defined as: an intensive inpatient (to include the emergency room) experience where learners have primary responsibility for patient care and a direct reporting relationship to faculty, fellows, or upper level residents. Reporting to interns is not considered an appropriate level of supervision for an AI. Primary responsibility for patient care includes; primary evaluation of patients, primary responsibility for writing patient notes and orders, providing an initial management plan, and assisting with the implementation and coordination of management plans to include performing procedures as appropriate.”
 - If completing an Acting Internship as an away rotation, the institution where you are completing the rotation must define it as an Acting Internship/Sub-Internship in their course catalog.
- One 4-week Emergency Medicine or Critical Care Selective or AI here or away: can be Adult or Pediatric Emergency Medicine.
- At least 24 weeks of elective rotations. M4 students may mix various combinations of 2-week and 4-week rotations to reach the total of 24 weeks.
- Students may take a maximum of 3 four-week non-clinical care rotations in M4.
- Students must take at least 4 weeks of clinical care rotations after the holiday break so as to promote readiness for residency training.
- Students are encouraged to take the required M4 AI in an M3 core clerkship discipline

Further clarifications:

- Up to 16 weeks may be done in one specialty area.
- Up to 20 weeks may be taken as away rotations if one of the 4-week blocks is an AI.
- Students may continue to schedule the following rotations at Orlando Health through COM:
 1. MICU or SICU
 2. Medicine AI
 3. General Surgery AI
 4. Colorectal Surgery AI
 5. Electives in Infectious Disease and Hematology/Oncology
 6. Electives in Autopsy or Surgical Pathology
 7. Urology
 8. OB-GYN AI

9. GYN-Oncology AI and elective
10. Pediatric/Adolescent GYN

- VSAS must be used for the scheduling of the following M4 AIs and/or electives at Orlando Health only:
 1. Emergency Medicine
 2. Any fourth year rotation in Ob/Gyn (including AIs and all electives) not included above
 3. Any fourth year rotation in Pediatrics (including AIs, PICU and all electives)
 4. Any surgical subspecialty aside from Colorectal Surgery-AI
 5. All other electives at OH not included above
- If VSAS is used to schedule one or more rotations at OH, none will count towards the total of up to 4 away electives.
- If VSAS is used to schedule an AI at OH, that AI can be used to fulfill the requirement for completion of one AI in the fourth year.
- All grading in the M4 year is Pass/Fail

3.0 Definitions:

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4.0 Responsibilities:

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5.0 Monitoring Procedures:

- M4 students should work with their academic advisors to ensure compliance with this policy. The UCF COM Registrar also monitors compliance.

6.0 Related Policies:

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7.0 Key Search Words:

Fourth year requirements		

8.0 Revision History:

Version	Date Approved	Modifications
V1		
V2	2/19/2014	Elimination of requirements for an Emergency Medicine rotation and for a second AI.
V3	12/16/2016	Addition of requirement for Emergency Medicine Selective
V4	1/20/2017	Minor updates
V5	12/21/2018	Increase in number of weeks that may be taken as away rotation when one of the rotations is an AI.
V6	3/17/2023	Clarified requirement for AI requirement

9.0 References:

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